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Applicant respectfully requests and petitions, under 37 CFR 1.182, according to the enclosed letter, that the International Application No. on Patent Office form PTO-1390, as well as all Patent Office records, for the above-identified application be changed to the following:

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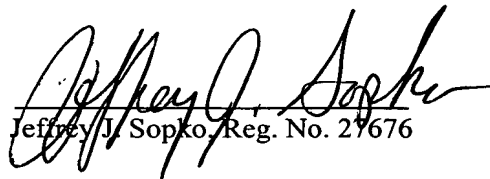
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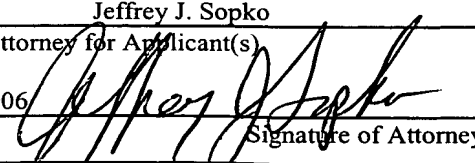
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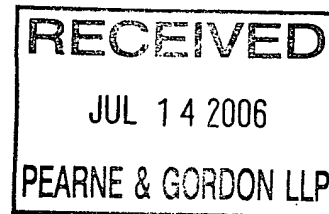
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COMMUNICATION

This is in response to applicant's "Letter" filed 30 June 2006.

The letter requests correction of the Transmittal Letter (Form PTO-1390) filed 02 May 2006. Such a correction will not be made without an appropriate petition under 37 CFR 1.182 along with the requisite \$400.00 petition fee.

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